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## MEMORANDUM FOR COMMANDER, SOUTH ATLANTIC DIVISION

SUBJECT: Implementation Guidance for Section 528 of the Water Resources Development Act of 2000 (WRDA 2000) – Coastal Mississippi Wetlands Restoration Projects

- 1. Section 528 of WRDA 2000 directs the Secretary to further the purposes of Sections 204 of WRDA 92 and 206 of WRDA 96 by participating in restoration projects for critical coastal wetlands and coastal barrier islands in the State of Mississippi. A copy of this provision is attached for your information.
- 2. Projects envisioned by this authority can be more effectively pursued under the existing policies and procedures of the Sections 204 and 206 programs. Guidance for these programs is found in Appendix F of ER 1105-2-100. Projects may be implemented under the Sections 204 and 206 programs following normal procedures. However, no work may be undertaken under the authority of Section 528 unless Congress specifically appropriates funds for such work.

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